

CITY NEWS

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FIRE COMPANY SHRIMP FEAST

The Delaware City Fire Company will be hosting a Shrimp Dinner Fund Raiser at the Delaware City Fire Company Memorial Hall. Please plan to attend on Saturday, June 7, 2008 from 7:00 PM until 1:00 AM. The cost is \$30.00 per person and \$50.00 per couple. There will be a DJ, door prizes, raffles, and dancing. Beer, wine, and soda are included in the cost of your ticket. Come help support the Delaware City Fire Company and have one good time! Contact Jen at 302-722-1843, Vanessa at 302-494-3527 or Wally at 302-420-2927 for ticket information.



NEW FENCE POLICY

On May 19, 2008 the Mayor and Council adopted a new ordinance relating to the installation of Briefly the new ordinance requires that a permit or other written approval of the City must be granted prior to the construction, alteration, replacement, or removal of any fence, wall, or enclosure in the city. If a fence is constructed within the Historic District, it is subject to review and approval of the Historic Preservation Commission. A fence in a side or rear yard cannot be more than six (6) feet high and fences in front yards cannot be more than four (4) feet high, where permitted. Corner properties are considered to have two (2) front yards. To read the entire ordinance come to Town Hall or visit the Town's website at www.delawarecity.delaware.gov.

DELAWARE CITY RECYCLES!!

Due to the popular demand for the composting bins, we will be raffling off two (2) composting bins at Canal Fest, September 13, 2008. Every household that is currently recycling as of September 13 will be entered into the raffle.

Sign up today at Town Hall for your free recycling bins, and you will receive a free composting bin (while supplies last).

Do not forget to separate yard waste from your regular trash or I.D.S. will not pick up your trash due to the new state law.

Join us for a Delafort River Cruise

June 27, 2008 7:30-9:30 PM

A relaxing 2-Hour cruise from Delaware City to the Delaware Memorial Bridge (non alcoholic beverages)

Scrumptious samplings from the VIP Munchie Buffet at Crabby Dick's immediately following the cruise – for cruise goers only! (cash bar at Happy Hour prices)

Take advantage of Happy Hour pricing before the cruise at Crabby Dick's from 4:00-7:00 PM

\$40 per person
\$75 per couple
Advance Sales Only
A Donation to the Delaware City Day
Celebration
Tickets are available from any Delaware City
Day Committee Member and Crabby Dick's.

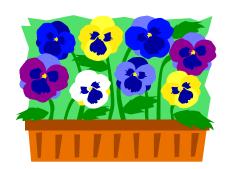
Storm Water Protection-Article III in a series: Pesticide Use (Part 2)

In our last article about storm water protection, we discussed the problems associated with the overuse of chemical pesticides, and the mechanical and chemical control of weeds as well as tips for proper pesticide application. We now want to address the proper handling of pesticides. First of all, do not buy more pesticides than you need. Disposing of them can be a problem. Never dispose of excess pesticides by dumping them on the ground. Excessive amounts applied to the soil can "overload" the natural system and contaminate drinking water. Consider sharing leftover pesticides with a neighbor. If you cannot give it away, apply them later according to the label. Never dispose of unwanted pesticides in a ditch, gutter or storm drain. Such practices allow the hazardous chemicals to move directly into canals, streams and lakes where they can harm fish and wildlife. When a pesticide container is empty, fill it with water three (3) times, each time pouring the rinse water into the spray tank when preparing the final application. The triple rinsing is important because some chemical residue may remain in the container. Dispose of the containers as instructed on the label. Small containers can be wrap in layers of newspaper or in a plastic bag and placed in the trash on the day of pickup. Store pesticides where children and pets cannot get to them. Consider this principle of ecology. Everything is linked to everything else. Pesticides can often have unintended consequences. For example, do not be surprised if songbirds leave your yard after pesticides have been sprayed. Many birds are directly harmed by pesticides; others leave because the insects they feed on have been killed. When pests invade lawns and gardens consider the full range of pest control options. In many cases pesticides will not be necessary. When pesticides must be used, follow label directions carefully to minimize harm to people and animals. Source: Yard Care and the Environment by the West Valley City Storm Water Utility.

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